

MINUTES

Town of North
June 9, 2014
North Town Hall

Mayor Pro Tem Jones called the regular meeting of Council to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Council members Carson, Lane and Washington. Mayor Jeffcoat was unable to attend. Also in attendance were Chief Mark Fallaw and Town Clerk Carrie Garrett.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones led Council and visitors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones declared a quorum and welcomed visitors.

Council member Carson made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 12, 2014 regular meeting. Motion was seconded by Council member Lane, and upon vote minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Comments:

- Loreathea Jackson addressed Council regarding the dilapidated property near her house, and regarding limbs/storm debris that haven't been picked up yet. Mayor Pro Tem Jones noted that he appreciated her concerns and understood her frustration and that he would forward this information to the Mayor. Council member Carson noted that the Town has an ordinance giving the Town authority to demolish or clean up property. Chief Fallaw noted that this matter came up years prior and that there are several issues the Town would have to consider. The Town does not own equipment to demolish or clean up properties. The cost of purchasing the equipment would be a heavy burden on the Town. Also, the Town would have to pay the landfill per ton to dispose of the matter that had been cleaned up. If the Town hired a contractor, the Town would have to pay the contractor out of pocket. After the costs were incurred, the Town has no guaranteed way to recoup the expenses. The Town decided it was better to have the County handle these issues because they don't have to pay the landfill to dispose of the material, they have the equipment to handle the jobs, and they can add the costs to the tax bill.

Water/Sewer Report:

Rick Bryan presented the Water/Sewer report for May, 2014 (copy attached). Council member Carson asked for the minutes to reflect that, in response to Mayor Jeffcoat having mentioned to her that Heyward Livingston said we didn't have to put the contract for the repair of the gully at the Waste Water Treatment Plant to a vote before Council, that she spoke with Heyward Livingston and Mr. Livingston indicated that he did not ask the Mayor to take the lowest bid without putting it to a vote.

Police Report:

Chief Fallaw reviewed the North Police report for May, 2014 (copy attached). Chief Fallaw referred Council to review an article written by the Greenville News regarding the new texting ban.

Old Business:

- Jones reviewed the financial statement for May, 2014.

New Business:

- Community of Character Trait for May is Punctuality.
- Council addressed Second Reading of the 2014-1025 Budget. Motion was made by Council member Lane to approve the Second Reading of the 2014-2015 Budget. Motion was seconded by Council member Washington and upon vote passed by majority vote.

Mayor's Report:

- Mayor Pro Tem Jones noted that the annual Alzheimer's Bike Ride will be coming through North on July 19th.

Council Announcements:

- Council Member Lane noted that the Family Dollar did close the real estate transaction purchasing the property to build a new building. The new store plans to open by October 2014.

Public Comments:

- None

There being no further business, Council member Lane made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Garrett